

Chairperson John R. Clark
Vice-Chairperson Michael Parks
Parliamentarian Don Maxwell



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Ralph Davila
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MINUTES

**BRYAN PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION
WORKSHOP MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2008
AT 5:00 P.M.
ROOM 305, BRYAN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
300 SOUTH TEXAS AVENUE, BRYAN, TEXAS**

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1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Clark called the workshop meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Commission members present: Mr. Michael Beckendorf, Mr. Johnny Bond, Ms. Helen Chavarria, Mr. John Clark, Mr. Ralph Davila, Mr. Robert Horton, Mr. G.H. Jones, Mr. Don Maxwell, and Mr. Michael Parks.

Commission members absent: none.

Staff members present: Mr. Kevin Russell, Director of Development Services; Mr. Martin Zimmermann, Senior Planner; Mr. Randy Haynes, Staff Planner; Ms. Janis Hampton, City Attorney; Mr. Richard Reynosa, Assistant City Engineer; Mr. Bob Shultz, City Auditor; and Mr. Rodney Schmidt, Planning Intern.

2. DISCUSSION ON CITY OF BRYAN ETHICS POLICY

Mr. Bob Shultz gave a presentation on the City of Bryan's ethics policies.

Various aspects regarding ethics policies were discussed.

3. REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEMS FOR REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2008

Mr. Martin Zimmermann, Senior Planner, advised that after the packet had been distributed, the applicants of Rezoning RZ 08-08 (regular agenda item #6) had requested to reduce the boundary of the property that is subject of this rezoning request. Specifically, the acreage proposed to be rezoned had been reduced by 7 acres to approximately 29 acres. Mr. Zimmermann explained that the acreage change was desired due to a slightly revised layout for the proposed residential subdivision the applicants desire to develop here. He advised that the applicants also own all land surrounding these 29 acres.

Various items were reviewed. No action was taken.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Parks stated that, he would like to hear reports from P&Z subcommittees at a future workshop meeting. He added that he would like to see additional commissioner training sessions incorporated into the workshop meetings when appropriate.

Commissioner Maxwell stated that he would like to see a future agenda item regarding a possible Planning and Zoning Commission clean-up event, as proposed by Commissioner Horton during the recent special training workshop.

Commissioner Parks requested discussion on the possibility of having other Commissioners attend planning-related meetings with him in his function as executive director of the Brazos Valley Council of Governments, to represent the City of Bryan around the Brazos Valley.

Commissioner Bond commented that he would like to learn more about the authority of the P&Z in the City's ETJ.

Chairperson Clark asked for an update on city staff experience with the Residential-Neighborhood Conservation District process.

5. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Zimmermann circulated the latest list showing properties zoned R-NC District which had been compiled by the City Secretary's Office.

Mr. Zimmermann advised Commissioners of their upcoming joint meeting with the City Council at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 26, 2008 in the basement of the Municipal Office Building.

6. ADJOURN

Without objection, Chairperson Clark adjourned the workshop meeting at 5:37 p.m.

These minutes were reviewed and approved by the City of Bryan Planning & Zoning Commission on this the **6th** day of **March, 2008**.

John R. Clark, Chairperson
Planning and Zoning Commission
City of Bryan, Texas

Lindsey Guindi, Planning Manager and
Secretary to the Planning and Zoning
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